



FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES – BUSINESS MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018

The City Council of the City of Florence, Kentucky met in Regular Session on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Florence Government Center, with Mayor Diane E. Whalen presiding as Chair.

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME:

Mayor Diane E. Whalen called the regular meeting to order and declared the Regular Session to be open for the presentation of all City business.

ROLL CALL:

The roll was called and the following four (4) members of Council were present: Gary Winn, Dr. Julie Metzger Aubuchon, Duane Froelicher, and David Osborne.

Also present were City Attorney Hugh Skees, Fire/EMS Chief Kelly Aylor, Police Chief John McDermond, Business and Community Director Josh Hunt, , Director, Public Services Director, Eric Hall, City Engineer, Bill Viox, Videographers, Matt Miller and Mike McClanahan, Police Office, Roger Allen, Deb McCarty (serving as Deputy City Clerk), Nancy Zeilman (Administration Secretary), Trisha Scheyer, River City News, Wally Whalen, Jared Whalen with Boy Scout Troop #1 and the AP Government Class from Dixie Heights High School.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

January 23, 2018 Business Meeting

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2018 Business Meeting of Council. Council member Winn so moved, with second from Council Member Froelicher. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

Note: Council Member Winn stated that he thought the attendance of Council was not recorded correctly. After reviewing the minutes, they were correct.

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Diane Whalen read the following Proclamation. Mr. Smith's son, Robert Wm Smith, Jr. accepted the proclamation for his father.

PROCLAMATION

Celebrating Robert Wm. Smith

WHEREAS, longevity of life is a blessing for an individual and for a community which benefits from the knowledge, creativity, and experiences this individual brings to all: and

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WHEREAS, the City of Florence recognizes, with respect and admiration, the contribution of senior citizens to our community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robert William Smith was born on February 11, 1918 and is a resident of Florence and a WWII veteran who served as a US Army First Lieutenant and finished second from the top in his brigade during training. He patrolled Berlin in Germany during Occupy Berlin and held a security detail for President Eisenhower when he visited Berlin as well as other key senior officials; and

WHEREAS, the United States has the greatest number of centenarians in the world, and today Mr. Smith should be honored for his 100 years on this earth; and

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Diane E. Whalen, Mayor of the City of Florence and on the behalf of the City Council members and the citizens of Florence, honor Mr. Robert W. Smith for his long life, prosperity, courage and dedication through service to our country, hereby declare **February 11, 2018***

Robert William Smith Day

*Diane E. Whalen
Mayor, City of Florence*

FIRST READING

Ordinance O-2-18

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROVING A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FROM OFFICE ONE/PLANNED DEVELOPMENT/HOUSTON-DONALDSON STUDY CORRIDOR OVERLAY (O-1/PD/HDO) TO OFFICE TWO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT/HOUSTON-DONALDSON STUDY CORRIDOR OVERLAY (O-2/PD/HDO) FOR AN APPROXIMATE 2.8 ACRE SITE LOCATED ON THE SOUTH/WEST SIDE OF TED BUSHELMAN BOULEVARD BETWEEN THE PROPERTY AT 3125 TED BUSHELMAN BOULEVARD (FLORENCE FIRE DEPARTMENT) AND 7300 WOODSPOINT DRIVE (BRIDGE POINT CENTER), FLORENCE, KENTUCKY, TO ALLOW A HOTEL AND OTHER USES PERMITTED IN THE O-2 AND C-2 ZONES.(BBWAJ PARTNERSHIP PROPERTY)

Council Member Aubuchon explained the conditions given to BBWAJ Partnership. Those conditions included their knowledge of eliminating trees that serve as a natural buffer between them and the golf course. Removal will be at owner's sole risk.

The second condition was that the owner acknowledges that the proposed hotel will be constructed adjacent to a city owned fire station and that fire stations are exempt from the city's noise ordinance. Neither owner nor any person staying at the hotel will have any claim against the City resulting from such noise.

BBWAJ Partnership Property accepted knowledge of the conditions.

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Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve Ordinance O-2-18 on first reading. Council Member Osborne moved, with second from Council Member Aubuchon that Ordinance No. O-2-18 be approved on first reading and held for second and final reading at the next Council Business meeting. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

FIRST READING

Ordinance O-3-18

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROVING TWO CHANGES IN AN APPROVED CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT PLAN IN A COMMERCIAL TWO/PLANNED DEVELOPMENT/HOUSTON-DONALDSON STUDY CORRIDOR OVERLAY (C-2/PD HDO) ZONE FOR A 6.237 ACRE SITE INCLUDING THE TRACTS AT 7484 AND 7492 TURFWAY ROAD, AND THE 0.472 ACRE VACANT TRACT IN BETWEEN THE PROPERTIES AT 7484 AND 7492 TURFWAY ROAD, FLORENCE, KENTUCKY TO ALLOW AN ADDITIONAL HOTEL AND INCREASE THE BUILDING INTENSITY FOR THE EXISTING HOTEL AT 7492 TURFWAY ROAD BY REDUCING THE LOT SIZE, AND MODIFYING PREVIOUS CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL. (SHIHASI)

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve Ordinance O-3-18 on first reading. Council member Osborne moved, with second from Council Member Aubuchon that Ordinance No. O-2-18 be approved on first reading and held for second and final reading at the next Council Business meeting. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

PRESENTATION

Boy Scout Troop #1 - To meet badge requirements, each troop member asked a question about the obligations of a U.S. Citizen. Their questions included what City Council does, how old you need to be to vote and serve on council, what makes a good citizen, the growth of the city, homeless families and the opioid problem.

Mayor Whalen thanked them for coming and for the great questions.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Aquatic Membership - The 2018 Aquatic Center memberships are available until April 30th at a 15% discount. You may purchase a membership by contacting the finance department in the Florence Government Center.
- Mayor Whalen invited everyone to the lobby of the Florence Government on Monday, February 19th, to view the President's Day Display. It will include trivia questions and history.
- A Citizens Police Academy will start on March 7th and conclude on April 25th meeting each Wednesday during that time. Contact the Florence Police Department for an application to attend this Academy.
- Latonia Days at Turfway will be held on Feb 23rd and 24th. This is a celebration of history for the track. Presentations will include how Latonia became Turfway Park.

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RECOGNITION:

Mayor Whalen asked if any Council Member desired recognition;

- No one desired recognition.

Mayor Whalen asked if any Department Head desired recognition:

- Police Chief John McDermond announced that the Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Florence Freedom on Saturday, March 31st. Gates will open at 10:00 a.m.

Mayor Whalen asked if any anyone in the audience desired recognition:

- No one desired recognition
- The AP Government Class from Dixie Highway was in the audience. Mayor Whalen invited them to stay and ask questions.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION:


Mayor Whalen called for a motion to go into **Executive Session** pursuant to K.R.S. 61.810 (1) (b) Acquisition/Sale of real property-where publicity would be likely to affect the value of property to be acquired for public use or to be sold by the City and (1)(f) Appointment, discipline, or dismissal of personnel. Executive Session will return to this room to adjourn. We do not anticipate any business taking place following the Executive Session. Council Member Aubuchon with a second from Council Member Winn. **Council approved by unanimous vote**, the time being 7:36 p.m.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to come back into session after the Executive Session pursuant to K.R. S. 61.810(b) Acquisition/sale of real property where publicity would be likely to affect the value of property to be acquired for public use or to be sold by the City and (1)(f) Appointment, discipline, or dismissal of personnel. Council member Winn motioned, with second from Council Member Froelicher and **unanimous approval of Council**, the time being 8:02 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Aubuchon so moved, with second from Council Member Osborne, **and unanimous approval of Council**, the time being 8:03 p.m.

APPROVED:



Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debra McCarty, Deputy City Clerk

